विनिर्माण करना चाहता है तो इसके लिए उसे अपने उत्पादन का 75 प्रतिशत निर्यात दायित्व पूरा करना होता है।

Functioning of Trifed

1674. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMACHANDRA JICHKAR.

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED) has deviated from its essential function of marketing development for tribals and lays more stress on felicitation functions for exporters and the like;

(b) the substantial achievements made by TRIFED in the area of marketing development for tribals;

(c) whether any review of TRIFEDs work has been done;

(d) if so, the finding thereof; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to improve the functioning of TRIFED?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) No Sir;

(b) The procurement by TRIFED has increased from Rs. 10.95 crores in 1988-89 to Rs.140.93 crores in 1995-96, Similarly sales have also increased from Rs. 9.26 crores to Rs. 115.15 crores over the same period. The intervention of TRIFED has helped to increase the price paid to tribals for their produce.

(c) The Ministry reviews the activities of TRIFED on the basis of monthly performance reports obtained from it.

(d) and (e) On the basis of reviews TRIFED has been asked to take measures to increase procurement of minor forest produce items, reduce carry over stock to the minimum increase direct procurement from tribals etc.

उपभोक्ताओं से सुपर बाजार के विरूद्ध विभिन्न प्रकार की शिकायतें

1675. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी सोलंकी:** क्या **नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सुपर बाजार के विरूद्ध उपभोक्ताओं के विभिन्न प्रकार की शिकायतें बड़ी संख्या में प्राप्त हुई है अथवा हो रही है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या दिन प्रतिदिन इन शिकायतों की संख्या में वृद्धि हो रही है; और

(ग) उपभोक्ताओं की शिकायतें दूर किये जाने के लिए क्या कारगर उपाय किये जाने का विचार है?

खाद्य मंत्री और नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री (श्री देवेन्द्र प्रसाद यादव): (क) और (ख) सुपर बाजार ने सूचित किया है कि उसके मुख्यालय तथा क्षेत्रीय वितरण केन्द्रों में समय-समय पर ग्राहकों से वस्तुओं की गुणवत्ता, स्टाक उपलब्ध न होने तथा कर्मचारियों से व्यवहार के बारे में शिकायतें प्राप्त होती हैं और उनकी संख्या में वृद्धि हो रही है।

(ग) सुपर बाजार ने सूचित किया है कि सभी शिकायतों पर वरिष्ट अधिकारियों द्वारा कार्यवाही की जाती है और उन्हें दूर करने के लिए तत्काल उपचारात्मक उपाय किए जाते है।

Review of the functioning of the national institute of social defence

1676. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the functioning of the National Institute of Social Defence needs drastic review;

(b) if so, whether Government are contemplating any action in this regard;

(c) whether several social scientists have suggested several changes in the working of the Institute; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to bring the functions of the Institute in level with contemporary needs?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) to (d) In order to consider reorganisation of the National Institute of Social Defence an Expert Group was constituted by the Government. The Expert Group consisted of Government servants, representatives of Non-Governmental Organisations and Social Scientists. The streamlining of the functioning of the Institute is an on-going process and the recommendations of the Expert Group are being given due consideration.

Incident of caving-in below Jharia town

1677. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that towards the end of October, 1996 part of area No. 8, below Jharia town caved-in;

(b) if so, the details of the mishap, alongwith the area and population or families affected, and steps taken to rehabilitate the affected families;

(c) whether it is also a fact that required sand stowing is not being done, as a result of which these types of happenings are taking place; if so, the reasons thereof alongwith the details of sand stowing operations during the last three years; and

(d) whether any assessment has been made of similar possible happenings in the near by areas; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) and (b) As per information received from Coal India Limited (CIL), Katras More, Chouthai Kulhi, Hosanabad areas including the house named 'Sadhan Kutir', in and around the Jharia town which have unauthorised buildings constructed over land vested with Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) are vulnerable to subsidence. BCCL has been publishing appeals in local newspapers informing the residents about the situation and requesting them to vacate.

Subsequent to appearance of tension cracks on surface buildings at Katras More on 27.10.1996, District Administration after site investigation have estimated 219 houses in these localities to have developed cracks. According to an 'Expert Committee' cracks affecting the houses have developed due to movements in the old goaves triggered by underground fire.

Dy. Commissioner, Dhanbad after inspecting the affected sites is of the opinion that shifting of inhabitants in houses over non-coal bearing areas is the only solution. District administration has requested the State Government of Bihar for financial assistance for initiating action to shift the affected persons. Deputy Commissioner, Dhanbad requested BCCL to pay Rs. 15 lakhs purely on compassionate and humanitarian grounds for helping such affected families who are poor. This request of Deputy Commissioner, Dhanbad has been acceded to by the BCCL management.

(c) It is not a fact that the required sand stowing is not being done. The quantum of sand stowing done in coal mines of Bharat Coking Coal Limited during the last three years has been as under:

Year	Sand stowing (in cu. metres)
1993-94	26,16,645
1994-95	21,33,081
1995-96(PROVISIONAL)	24,15,500